To: Nikki Young – Board member, In The Life Atlanta, Inc.

From: Shane B. Johnson

Re: Action Plan/March Details

Nikki,

Please review the following and make sure that all logistical issues have been addressed. A copy of this plan will be submitted to the City of Atlanta with our application. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Cordially,

Shane Johnson

SUPERVISING OFFICER: Lt. JJ Dallas will be the supervising officer for the March and the festival. He has over 20 years of experience with the Atlanta Police Department with additional experience in event security.

COST: Lt. Dallas will have a staff of four off-duty police officers to assist him with the event. These officers (including Lt. Dallas) will be paid at a rate of 50.00 per hour (time and one-half for holiday pay) for 2.5 hours (10:00AM TO 12:30PM). This amount will equal $625.00 and is due at the end of the event on September 6th.

SECURITY: Two way radios will be issued to March organizers to ensure a constant flow of communication between the March organizers and the police officers. Lt. Dallas has assured us that the officers will be professional at all times, but will be working tirelessly to ensure a safe and smooth event. The officers will control the pace of the March and parade. ITLA will also furnish two-way radios for communication between March volunteers and ITLA personnel. The March coordinators (Nikki Young and Shane Johnson) will have one two-way radio from APD and one from ITLA.

STREET CLOSINGS: The following streets and intersections will be closed temporarily to negotiate the route for the march:

- **In addition, the March route will proceed accordingly:**

    1. **Start at the 450 block of and proceed WEST on Auburn Avenue NE to Courtland Street .**
    2. **Turn Left onto Courtland Street and proceed SOUTH on Courtland Street, crossing over Edgewood Avenue and Gilmer Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.**
    3. **Courtland becomes Washington and the March will culminate on the steps of the GA State Capitol.**

ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE:

- 500 persons
- 10 motorized vehicles
- March and parade order of participants will be **ASSIGNED** by March coordinators. **The order that the march coordinators place each group in is FINAL.**

BANNERS AND SIGNS:

- Banners and Signs will include Organizational/Group Representation, Inspirational messages, symbols, and slogans affirming the march. While the March coordinators recognize the right to freedom of expression, we must keep in mind that this experience is to be ENRICHING, POSITIVE, and MEMORABLE for admirable reasons. We may not be able to control what others say or do, but WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CREATING A POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT AMONGST OURSELVES.

SAFETY:

- Use common sense!!! Please defer to the March coordinators or the closest available officer if you notice anything suspicious, hazardous, or otherwise. Our emergency Medical Service Plan does not require a special design by the Fire Department/EMS. Call 911 for any emergency.

TIME:

- Line Up: 10:00am – 11:00 am
- Start: 11:01 pm
- End: approximately 12:30pm
- The Parade will last approximately 30 minutes (from launch to finish) the APD will keep the pace of the parade flowing smoothly since the street closings are temporary and should not require and extraordinary amount of time to be closed while we march.

Gregory P. Amos
Profile

I am submitting this profile of my self in an attempt to be accepted to the board of directors for In the Life Atlanta (ITLA). As you will note from the following information I have an extensive background working within the Same Gender Loving Community, and I also bring the experience of having not only coordinating but co-founding Minneapolis Black Gay Pride. I have also served and currently serve as the Chair of the Health and Safety Committee of Atlanta's black gay Pride.

Currently I am a Risk Reduction Specialist with Our Common Welfare in the PSONE Program. I am also currently sitting on the African American Outreach Initiative, Men who have Sex with Men (MSM) Syphilis Elimination Project, Chair of the Health and Safety Committee for Atlanta's Black Gay Pride, the Deputy Director of Phoenix Group, Project Director of HIV Risk Among Black Men (a research project for African American (MSM} and a Advisory Board Member of the Hope Clinic for Emory University Vaccine Research.

I would like to give a brief overview of my experience in the area of HIV/AIDS Prevention, and my sincere dedication to stopping the virus. My initial work in HIV/AIDS began in 1982 while living in San Francisco, California. Many friends and co-workers were having opportunistic infections, and at that time, we did not know much about HIV/AIDS. Thus, many of us began to assume the role of caretakers for those who were sick. After that, I began to volunteer for the Meals on Wheels program and the East Bay AIDS Project. In 1995, a very close friend who lived in Minneapolis, Minnesota was diagnosed HIV/AIDS, and he requested me to come and provide him with support. While in Minneapolis, I was offered an outreach position at Pillsbury Neighborhood Services educating African-American (MSM) on the importance of practicing safe sex. I realized homophobia was prevalent in the African-American community and that the HIV services available were primarily for white, gay men. I was approached by several organizations to provide culturally appropriate prevention outreach and case management to African-American MSMs.

I decided to join the Minneapolis Urban League as their MSM Coordinator where I promoted HIV/AIDS awareness within communities of color. I also coordinated directly with GLBT leaders, adults and youth. Also, I implemented outreach strategies such as: Community and Environmental Outreach, and an Advocate for the Minneapolis Urban League Health Services Division locally and nationally. I represented the Minneapolis Urban League at the Minnesota Commissioner's Task Force on HIV/AIDS, and I served on various subcommittees.

I created community awareness because of the lack of representation of African-American MSM. During the period of time that I served as an MSM Coordinator, I was offered a position as HIV Service Case Manager. My duties while holding that position were working with clients to analyze and execute a care plan, coordinate service delivery, developed a cooperative relationship, provide up-to-date information, education, and referral services to clients regarding HIV/AIDS.

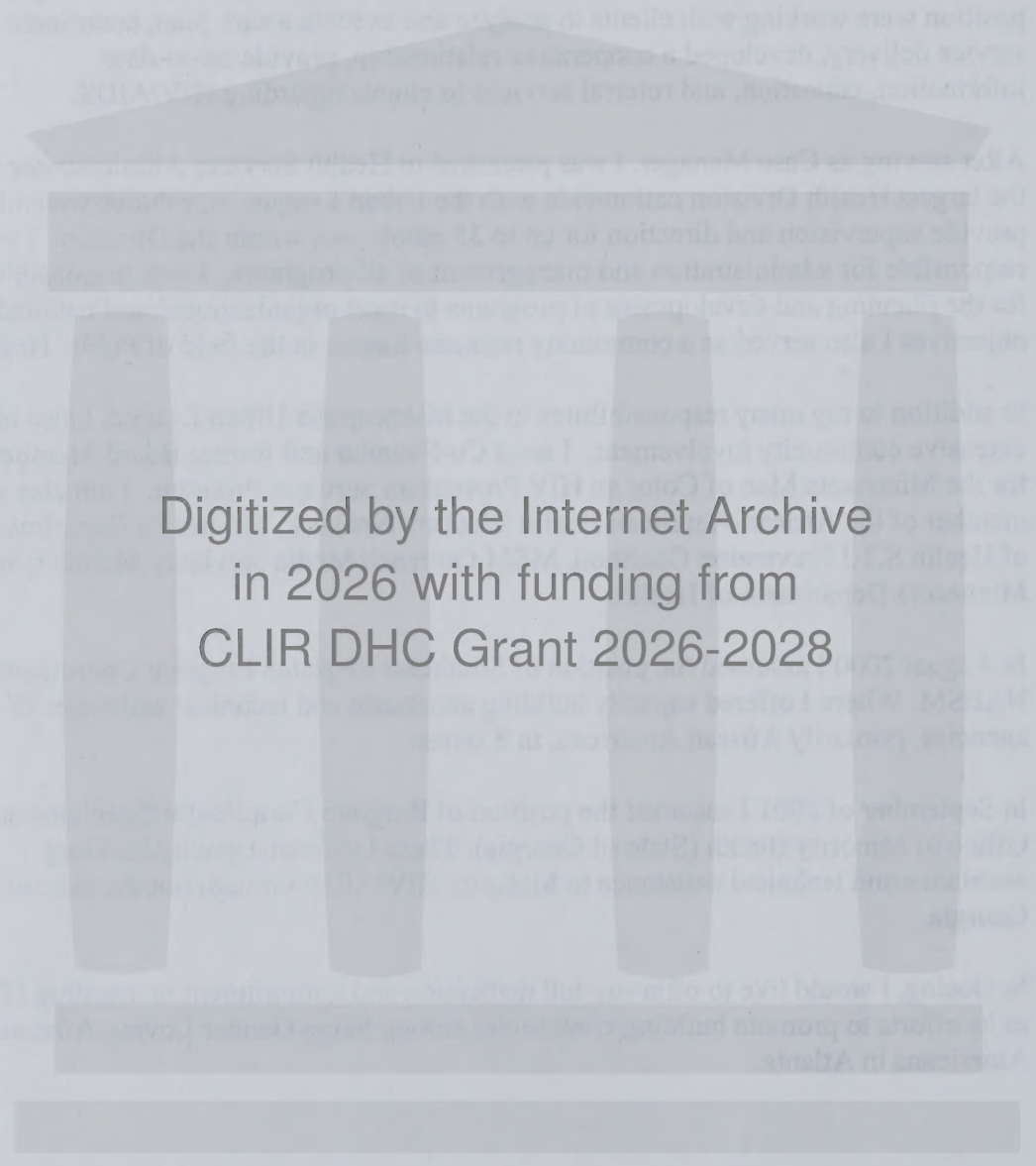
After serving as Case Manager, I was promoted to Health Services Administrator for the largest Health Division nationwide with the Urban League. My duties were to provide supervision and direction for up to 35 employees within the Division. I was responsible for administration and management of all programs. I was responsible for the planning and development of programs to meet organizational and national objectives I also served as a community resource liaison in the field of Public Health.

In addition to my many responsibilities in the Minneapolis Urban League, I also have extensive community involvement. I am a Co-Founder and former Board Member for the Minnesota Men of Color an HIV Prevention Services Program. I am also a member of the African-American Health Workers Network, Minnesota Department of Health S.T.I Prevention Coalition, MSM Outreach Media Advisory Member, and Minnesota Department of Health.

In August 2000 I assumed the position of Southeast Regional Program Coordinator at NAESM. Where I offered capacity building assistance and technical assistance to agencies, primarily African American, in 8 states.

In September of 2001 I assumed the position of Program Coordinator/Specialist at the Office of Minority Health (State of Georgia). There I offered capacity building assistance and technical assistance to Minority HIV/AIDS through out the state of Georgia.

In closing, I would like to offer my full dedication and commitment to assisting ITLA in its efforts to promote building community among Same Gender Loving African Americans in Atlanta.



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Dear Friends:

Please excuse this form response, but we use it to be able to contact many people or organizations quickly.

We publish a Calendar of Events for black people in the life. It appears on our website and in several printed publications. The website address is www.blk.com

You are receiving this letter because we have word that you have in the past or are planning to sponsor events that are appropriate for the Calendar. Please send us more information about your upcoming activities. You can contact us by regular mail, e-mail, fax or telephone.

There is no charge to be included in the Calendar. The only requirement is that events be about or include black people in the life. Regular meetings can be included if the meetings have a theme or speaker that differentiates them each from one another.

If you have a publicity list or publish a newsletter, please add us to your mailing list. This is an easy way for us to remain informed.

Good luck with you events.

Sincerely,

H. James Hopkins

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M4M can offer the following:

1. A permanent banner on our front page(one of only 3 banners on our sign in page) in Atlanta, and a second banner in another M4M city of your choice. **Banner Specs: 230x90**. The banner in Atlanta will not rotate. The banner in 2nd city selection will be in rotation with one other banner.

2. Three email blasts for Pride(to M4M Atlanta members), one of these email blasts going to the M4M cities of your choice – cities where you think many Pride attendees will come from. These emails will include whatever text or graphics you wish—subject to our approval. All emails can have your banner at the bottom w/link. We have app. 2,500 members in Atlanta. **Email Banner Specs: 625x80**

3. Promotional items for distribution in any gift bags, etc. which need to be filled for Pride events. Promo items include keychains, flashlights, tank tops, coasters, etc.

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Dear Supporters:

In July of 1996, a coalition of community activist announced the formation of a new non-profit, volunteer organization: In The Life Atlanta, Inc. (ITLA). The organization was designed to coordinate Atlanta's Annual Labor Day Black Pride celebration in the African American Lesbian/Bisexual/Gay/Transgendered (Les/Bi/Gay/Trans) community. "In The Life" is a self-identifying term that has lesbian been used by the African American Les/Bi/Gay/Trans community since the Harlem renaissance. Our name, "In The Life Atlanta," gives well deserved respect to our ancestors, reclaims our past, promotes self-empowerment through self-definition, and promotes unity.

In the year since producing its first successful Labor Day celebration, ITLA's Board of Directors has expanded its vision. We realize the need in our community for ongoing services and programs that will further enrich and empower our lives. We are asking you to join us in our vision. Your sponsorship of ITLA will support the continued outreach, education, and social programs that are being formulated to meet the needs of our ever growing and diverse community. Please take a moment to look at the enclosed sponsorship levels.

We look forward to adding you to the growing list of companies and individuals who have pledged their support to In Life Atlanta. If you have any questions or would like to discuss these opportunities further, please contact me.

Sincerely,
Board of Directors

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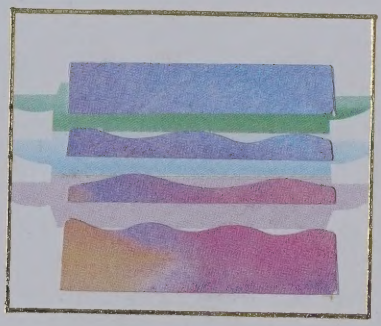
To Queen and Tony,

Thanks to You



The world is a better place

Susan Lander

9/2/97

Hello Queen and Tiny,

I am writing a note, not
on behalf of Cindy and me, but
as myself, alone. Clearly, Cindy
believes deeply in the integrity of Dr No
life Atlanta. You already are aware of her sentiments and
support... I wanted you, therefore, to hear a big THANK YOU
from just me this time. I wanted to share in Black
So say not being invited to a soon understatement.
Gayride was an honor is a soon understatement.
I remain moved and quite appropriately
challenged by the sense of purpose I
saw and felt throughout last
weekend. In particular, I felt
I was observing a bit of history
in the making as I listened
intently during the women's
workshop on Saturday. The women's
gave birth to a mechanism of sharing
so intimately with each other — Wow!
what a beginning. Many thanks to
both of you and
I cause, given
whole team
who welcomed
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and
celebrate

Much love,

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